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BEGIN SUMMARY. THIS MESSAGE TRANSMITS SIGNIFICANT CHANGES TO, AND MISSION COMMENTS ON, REVISED DRAFT REPORT ON PARTICIPATION OF THE DPC IN EXERCISE WINTEX 75 (AC/237-WP/99(2ND REVISE). THE COUNCIL OPERATIONS AND EXERCISE COMMITTEE (COEC) WILL MEET ON JUNE 10 TO CONSIDER REVISED DRAFT. ACTION REQUESTED: WASHINGTON GUIDANCE AND/OR COMMENTS ON AC/237-WP/99(2ND REVISE) BY JUNE 6. END SUMMARY.

1. CHANGES TO REF A AS CONTAINED IN AC/237-WP/99 (2ND REVISE)  
(SENT TO WASHINGTON REGISTERED NO. 3157), FOLLOW:  
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7. THE DEFENCE PLANNING COMMITTEE RECONVENED AT 1500Z  
ON 9TH MARCH TO CONSIDER ONE WARNING (WHISKEY) MESSAGE FROM

SACLANT AND TWO EARLY NOTIFICATION MESSAGES FROM SACEUR. THE CHAIRMAN OF THE MILITARY COMMITTEE CONVEYED THE VIEWS OF MEMBERS OF HIS COMMITTEE REGARDING SACLANT'S WARNING MESSAGE. THE DPC HAD AN INITIAL CONSULTATION ON SACEUR'S EARLY NOTIFICATION MESSAGES AND DISCUSSED THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE THREAT OF A MASSIVE ORANGE CHEMICAL ATTACK AGAINST ALLIED FORCES ON THE TERRITORY OF ONE MEMBER NATION AND THE ALLIANCE'S APPROPRIATE REACTIONS. THE DEFENCE PLANNING COMMITTEE ADJOURNED UNTIL 0930Z THE FOLLOWING MORNING TO ALLOW PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES TO OBTAIN NATIONAL INSTRUCTIONS.

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8. ON RESUMPTION, AT 0930Z ON MONDAY, 10TH MARCH, THE DEFENCE PLANNING COMMITTEE CONSULTED ON ONE RELEASE (ROMEO) REQUEST FROM SACLANT AND THE THREE WARNING (WHISKEY) MESSAGES FROM SACEUR. THE CHAIRMAN OF THE MILITARY COMMITTEE CONVEYED THE VIEWS OF MEMBERS OF HIS COMMITTEE WITH REGARD TO SACEUR'S THREE WARNING MESSAGES AND SACLANT'S RELEASE REQUEST. AFTER DISCUSSION IN THE DEFENCE PLANNING COMMITTEE, THE SECRETARY GENERAL UNDERTOOK TO TRANSMIT THE VIEWS EXPRESSED TO THE (EXERCISE) PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE (EXERCISE) PRIME MINISTER OF THE UNITED KINGDOM. THIS NUCLEAR CONSULTATION MESSAGE WAS SENT AT 1245Z THE SAME DAY. THE DEFENCE PLANNING COMMITTEE, BEFORE ADJOURNING UNTIL 1500Z, ACCEPTED THE SUGGESTION OF SENDING A PUBLIC MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY GENERAL TO ORANGE REGARDING THE INHUMAN USE OF CHEMICAL WARFARE AGAINST A MEMBER COUNTRY.

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11. DURING THE EXERCISE, THE MASSIVE USE OF CHEMICAL  
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WEAPONS BY THE WARSAW PACT WAS RAISED BY ONE NATION. DISCUSSION IN THE DEFENCE PLANNING COMMITTEE REVEALED THAT ONLY ONE MEMBER COUNTRY HAD SUCH WEAPONS IN STOCK AND THAT THERE WERE NO PROCEDURAL RULES GOVERNING THEIR USE BY OTHER ALLIANCE NATIONS IN THE DEFENCE OF NATO. THE IMPLICATIONS OF THE MASSIVE USE OF CHEMICAL WEAPONS BY WARSAW PACT COUNTRIES MERITS FURTHER CONSIDERATION WITHIN THE ALLIANCE.

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13. THE CRITICAL COMMUNICATIONS TIMINGS DURING THE PERIOD OF ACTIVE DEFENCE PLANNING COMMITTEE PARTICIPATION WERE THOSE OF

NUCLEAR CONSULTATION MESSAGES. THE TRANSMISSION TIMES OF THESE MESSAGES BOTH FROM CAPITALS AND THE MAJOR NATO COMMANDERS VARIED FROM APPROXIMATELY 26 MINUTES FOR AN EARLY NOTIFICATION MESSAGE FROM SACEUR TO 3 HOURS 15 MINUTES FOR A WHISKEY MESSAGE FROM SACLANT. (ONE CORRECTED COPY OF A REQUEST MESSAGE FROM SACEUR TOOK 5 HOURS AND 20 MINUTES TO BE TRANSMITTED OVER THE NATO-WIDE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM. ) THE MAIN REASONS FOR THESE DELAYS WERE TWOFOLD-TECHNICAL AND HUMAN. THE NWCS TARE COMPUTER PROGRAMME IS VERY RIGID AND REJECTS MESSAGES FOR THE SLIGHTEST FORMATTING ERROR; SOME NATIONAL AND NATO TERMINALS DO NOT APPEAR TO HAVE PUT INTO OPERATION THE AUTOMATIC NUMBERING DEVICES WHICH ARE AVAILABLE. REINFORCEMENT PERSONNEL MAY HAVE LACKED ADEQUATE TRAINING ON AUTOMATED SYSTEMS.

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V. PARTICIPATION OF THE NATO HEADQUARTERS IN FUTURE WINTEXES

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19. IN DISCUSSIONS IN THE COMMITTEE FOLLOWING WINTEX 75, NATIONS GENERALLY CONFIRMED THEIR VIEW THAT THE ACTIVE PARTICIPATION OF THE DEFENCE PLANNING COMMITTEE IN THE WINTEX SERIES OF EXERCISES WAS VALUABLE.

(20. AS REGARDS THE POSSIBLE PARTICIPATION OF THE HEADQUARTERS IN WINTEX 77, IT HAS BEEN SUGGESTED THAT A MORE VALUABLE EXERCISE WOULD RESULT IF THE DEFENCE PLANNING COMMITTEE

WERE TO BE REPRESENTED BY A MULTINATIONAL COMMITTEE, PLAYING ON A ROUND-THE-CLOCK BASIS, OUTSIDE THE PERIOD OF ACTUAL DEFENCE PLANNING COMMITTEE PARTICIPATION. THE MAJORITY OF NATIONS IN PRINCIPLE FAVOUR THIS SUGGESTION, WHILE RECOGNISING THAT IT REQUIRES TO BE EXPLORED IN DETAIL AND THAT A NUMBER OF PRACTICAL DIFFICULTIES, PARTICULARLY AS REGARDS FINANCE AND STAFFING, WILL FIRST REQUIRE TO BE OVERCOME. OTHER NATIONS, HOWEVER, ARE INCLINED TO DOUBT THE VALUE OF THE PROPOSAL. THE DEFENCE PLANNING COMMITTEE MAY WISH TO INVITE THE COUNCIL OPERATIONS AND EXERCISE COMMITTEE TO EXAMINE THE FEASIBILITY OF THIS SUGGESTION, WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO THE FINAL OUTCOME, AT AN EARLY STAGE OF PLANNING FOR WINTEX 77.) UNQUOTE  
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#### VI. RECOMMENDATIONS

21. THE DEFENCE PLANNING COMMITTEE IS INVITED TO:

(1) TAKE NOTE OF THIS REPORT;

(2) NOTE THAT THE QUESTION OF THE INTER-RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE DESIGNATION OF HOSTILE NATIONS AND NATIONAL DECLARATIONS OF WAR ARE PRESENTLY UNDER STUDY IN THE MILITARY COMMITTEE IN THE CONTEXT OF A REVISION OF THE BASIC DOCUMENT ON THE NATO ALERT SYSTEM;

(3) AS REGARDS THE OPERATIONAL ASPECTS OF COMMUNICATIONS:

(A) NOTE THAT CONSIDERATION WILL BE GIVEN TO THE POSSIBILITY OF RELAXING THE PRESENT RIGID PROGRAMMING OF THE EVERE TARE OF THE NATO-WIDE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM;

(B) IN THE MEANTIME, INVITE CAPITALS AND MNCS TO MAN THE NATO-WIDE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS' TERMINALS WITH PERSONNEL FULLY TRAINED IN THE NWCS PROCEDURES AND TO GENERALISE THE USE OF AUTOMATIC NUMBERING DEVICES.

(4) AS REGARDS MESSAGE HANDLING IN THE HEADQUARTERS:

(A) NOTE THE SATISFACTORY RESULTS OBTAINED DURING EXERCISE WINTEX 75;

(B) NOTE THAT THE PNEUMATIC TUBE SYSTEM WHICH WILL BE OPERATIONAL IN THE NEAR FUTURE IS EXPECTED FURTHER TO IMPROVE MESSAGE HANDLING TIMES IN THE HEADQUARTERS.

(5) AS REGARDS NATO HEADQUARTERS' PARTICIPATION IN  
THE WINTEX SERIES OF EXERCISES:  
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(A) NOTE THE GENERAL VIEW OF MEMBER NATIONS THAT  
THE ACTIVE PARTICIPATION OF THE DEFENCE PLANNING  
COMMITTEE IN THE WINTEX SERIES OF EXERCISES IS  
VALUABLE;

((B) INVITE THE COUNCIL OPERATIONS AND EXERCISE  
COMMITTEE IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE IMS, TO  
EXAMINE AT AN EARLY STAGE OF PLANNING FOR  
WINTEX 77 AND WITHOUT PROJUDICE TO THE FINAL  
OUTCOME, THE FEASIBILITY OF HAVING THE DEFENCE  
PLANNING COMMITTEE REPRESENTED IN THIS EXERCISE  
BY A MULTINATIONAL COMMITTEE OUTSIDE THE PERIOD  
OF ACTUAL DPC PARTICIPATION.)

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2. REVISED DRAFT INCLUDES WASHINGTON INSTRUCTIONS (REFS B  
AND C.

3. INTERNATIONAL STAFF DRAFTERS OMITTED FOLLOWING FROM REVISED  
DRAFT WITHOUT COEC APPROVAL:

A. PARA 11, LAST SENTENCE ON CHEMICAL WARFARE WHICH READS:  
"THE DEFENSE PLANNING COMMITTEE MIGHT WISH TO INVITE THE MILITARY  
COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT A STUDY ON THIS QUESTION."

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B. SECTION VI (RECOMMENDATIONS) WHICH READS: "INVITE THE MILITARY COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT A STUDY ON THE IMPLICATIONS OF THE USE OF CHEMICAL WEAPONS BY THE WARSAW PACT."

4. MISSION OFFICER QUERIED DIRECTOR, COUNCIL OPERATIONS DIRECTORATE (MORAN) CONCERNING ABOVE OMISSIONS. MORAN SAID THAT THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, INTERNATIONAL MILITARY STAFF (MGENT GARDNER) HAD REQUESTED THAT THE MILITARY COMMITTEE NOT REPEAT NOT BE ASKED TO CONDUCT A STUDY ON THE IMPLICATIONS OF THE USE OF CHEMICAL WEAPONS BY THE WARSAW PACT. GARDNER JUSTIFIED THIS REQUEST BY POINTING OUT TO MORAN THAT THE CHAIRMAN MC HAD CIRCULATED A PAPER ON CHEMICAL WARFARE (CMCM-51-75, POUCH TO WASHINGTON APRIL 23, NUMBER 5693).

5. CMCM-51-75, A PERSONAL PAPER PREPARED BY THE CHAIRMAN MC WHICH HAS NEITHER BEEN CONSIDERED NOR ENDORSED BY THE MC, OUTLINES NATO AND WARSAW PACT DOCTRINE, POLICY AND CAPABILITY IN THE FIELD OF BACTERIOLOGICAL AND CHEMICAL WEAPONS. A MORE DETAILED STUDY ON CHEMICAL WARFARE BY THE MC WOULD ADD NEW EMPHASIS ON THE IMPORTANCE OF ACHIEVING AN ADEQUATE NATO CHEMICAL WARFARE  
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POSTURE, AS OUTLINED IN REF C. HOWEVER, MISSION WOULD APPRECIATE COORDINATED WASHINGTON GUIDANCE ON THE OBJECTIVES WE SHOULD PURSUE IN DEVELOPING THE PROPOSED STUDY. ACTION REQUESTED BY JUNE 6:  
WASHINGTON GUIDANCE ON (A) AC/237-WP/99 (2ND REVISE)  
AND (B) OBJECTIVES OF NATO STUDY ON CHEMICAL WARFARE.

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